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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS

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- 1 10 (Canceled)
- (Currently amended) A method of locating an object comprising:
 rendering a target on the object, the target characterized by a fan shape;

the target having a plurality of blades;

at least one of the plurality of blades having a boundary contour representing a non-zero skew so as to not cause grid degeneracy and size self-similarity when searching for the target; and searching for the target so as to provide a pose of the object.

12. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 11 further comprising:

the skew of the at least one of the plurality of blades is different from a skew of at least one other blade in the plurality of blades.

13. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 11 further comprising:

the skew of the at least one of the plurality of blades being different from a skew of all the other blades in the plurality of blades.

- 14. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 11, wherein: each of the plurality of blades having a skew different from the skew of all other blades in the plurality of blades.
- 15. (Currently amended) A method of locating an object comprising: rendering a target on the object, the target characterized by a fan shape;

the target having a plurality of blades;

at least one of the plurality of blades having a boundary contour representing a non-zero spiral so as to not cause grid degeneracy and size self-similarity when searching for the target; and

searching for the target so as to provide a pose of the object.

16. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 15 further comprising:

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the spiral of the at least one of the plurality of blades being different from a spiral of at least one other blade in the plurality of blades.

17. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 15 further comprising:

the spiral of the at least one blade in the plurality of blades being different from the spiral of all other blades in the plurality of blades.

- 18. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 15, wherein:
 - each of the plurality of blades having a spiral different from the spiral of all other blades in the plurality of blades.
- 19. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11 further comprising at least one of the plurality of blades including a hole.
- 20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15 further comprising at least one of the plurality of blades including a hole.